

THE M.A.M.M.A. MEETING.

The Board of Directors All Absent, as Expected, and No Quorum Present.

No Annual Reports nor Officers Elected--A Meeting Held Just the Same.

Secretary Pope Creas a Scene--Investigating Committee Appointed--A Lively Time.

Pursuant to advertisement a number of stockholders of the Montana Agricultural, Mechanical and Mineral association assembled at the office of Porter, Muth & Cox last night for the purpose of holding the regular annual meeting, for the transaction of business and the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year.

There were present at the meeting Messrs. T. H. Kleinschmidt, Herman Gans, D. A. G. Flowerree, Ed Zimmerman, S. H. Crouse, Col. W. F. Sanders, J. C. Curtin, Andy O'Connell, A. G. Clarke, W. R. Sweeny, J. B. Sanford, John Wilson and C. L. Dahler, representing altogether 111 shares of the capital stock. Francis Pope, secretary, was also present for awhile, but he did not represent any stock, having transferred his shares to C. D. Hard, who was absent.

The gentlemen finding that no quorum was present organized a stockholders meeting. Herman Gans, acting as president and S. C. Ashby secretary. The roll call showed that the entire board of directors was absent. It was figured that they represented 185 shares.

The stock book showed that the board of directors represented 836 shares of stock, but as a great deal of that amount is in litigation, only the 306 shares of the old stock was recognized. In any event the absents held a majority of the stock.

These were: L. H. Hershfield & Bro., C. D. Hard, T. C. Power, W. A. Chessman, B. H. Tatem, A. J. Davidson, W. B. Hundley and Wm. Muth.

T. H. Kleinschmidt immediately took the agenda and after the members present conjectured among themselves why it was that none of the directors were present and what was Mr. Pope's reason for transferring his stock. After the minutes of the last meeting were read Mr. Kleinschmidt called upon the secretary to know if he had any report to submit as to the financial condition of the association. He thought the stockholders were entitled to know what has been going on the past two years.

In response Mr. Pope took up the by-laws and read section 13, which he said entitled him to the position of secretary of the meeting and presiding officer. Mr. Kleinschmidt didn't agree with him and said the secretary had no authority to preside over a stockholders meeting.

Mr. Gans held the book in his hands which contained the minutes of all the association's meetings and the by-laws. Mr. Kleinschmidt immediately moved that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to investigate the books.

At this juncture Mr. Pope, who still had possession of the book, picked up his hat and started for the door. Just as he had his hand on the door knob he was intercepted by Mr. Ashby, while several other members present started to their feet to prevent Mr. Pope from carrying off the book. Mr. Ashby took the book from Mr. Pope and the latter left the place. After quiet had been restored and the action of the secretary thoroughly commented upon, the chair appointed Messrs. Zimmerman, O'Connell and Sanford an investigating committee. The meeting resolved when it would adjourn to adjourn until November 17, at 1:30 p. m. at the First National bank parlors.

Mr. Kleinschmidt said the directors would not meet with them fearing the wrath of the stockholders as to their recent action in taking to themselves the 634 shares of the capital stock. The meeting throughout was one of indignation, and before the warfare is ended it may result in the dissolution of the company under due process of law. A casual perusal of the books showed that the present board of directors was illegally elected. They showed that on Oct. 28, 1888, the time advertised for the annual meeting of the stockholders, no quorum was present so the meeting adjourned. On the following page and under date of Oct. 29, eight days previous to the date fixed for the stockholders meeting, a board of directors had been elected by the stockholders who represented the then existing board. At a subsequent meeting a resolution was presented by L. H. Hershfield and adopted without the knowledge of the stockholders. This resolution provided that each director should receive \$300 salary per annum for attendance at meetings, exclusive of the fair and racing season. This represented a disbursement of \$2,700 annually or \$5,400 for the past two years, which amount it is proposed to make the directors对不起.

The present board of directors appear to hold the top hand. It is expected they will meet in a few days and elect themselves a new board, as was done last year. The question was brought up last night by Mr. Crouse as to whether they could do this without readvertising the date of meeting. It was believed they could not legally do so and if they do advertise the opposing faction believes it can secure four directors. Col. Sanders was of the opinion that the present board could not deprive the smaller stockholders of their just rights. The right of the stockholders meeting last night to hold the association books was questioned, but they will have them long enough to ascertain from them all they desire. In whose possession they are is not known, as it is an office with a writ of replevin will have to be taken against them until it is secured expedient to return them. The minutes of last night's meeting were engrossed upon the pages of the journal.

Had the board of directors been present there would have been a much livelier time than was had, as everybody was "loaded for bear." They had, however, an interesting time, and the end is just beginning.

The Excelsior gas burner brilliancy and cheapness. A perfect light. For sale at Woman's Exchange.

A New Attraction.

Another new feature of the Louvre is the addition of chops and steaks to the lunch counter. They will be kept in sight, and a person can order and have his steak or chop cooked to order before his eyes by one of the best cooks in Helena.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers were filed for record yesterday with County Clerk and Recorder Tooker:

J. H. Brummett et ux. to James A. Brown, townsite..... \$ 1,500
Helena Water company to George F. Woolston, water rights, deeds of conveyance and bills..... 150,000
William H. Chesser et ux. to George F. Woolston, water rights, etc. 13,333
Mary B. Child et al. to George F. Woolston, water rights, etc. 95,000
Mary B. Child et al. to George F. Woolston, water rights, etc. 10,000
R. S. Hale to George F. Woolston, water rights and ditches 10,000
A. H. Johnson et al. to George F. Woolston, water rights and plow claims 25,000
George F. Woolston and Mary L. Woolston to J. B. Clayberg, trustee, water rights, etc. 1,498,050
C. W. Taylor et ux. to Ernestine Zimmerman, lot 14, blk. 42, Helena townsite. 750

One Million Bottles of California white wine or claret at 10 cents per bottle. This wine is guaranteed to be pure and wholesome. We also sell the celebrated Lemp's beer (unsteamed) at the same price. BOESMANN BROS. & CO., Corner Clore and Edwards streets. Telephone No. 241.

Dr. Dogge.

Diseases of women a specialty. Sixth avenue and Main street.

In Another Column. See Louvre bill of fare for to-day.

ON THE SQUARE.

The Masons of Montana Will Meet in Helena and Great Falls.

The Grand Commandery of the Knights Templar of Montana, convene in Helena to-day. A. J. Fisk is Grand Commander and will preside. New officers are to be elected.

Following are the present officers of the Grand commandery:

Right Eminent Grand Commander—A. J. Fisk.

Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander—A. H. Barrett.

Eminent Grand Generalissimo—E. A. Krieger.

Eminent Grand Captain General—I. R. Alden.

Eminent Grand Prelate—F. T. Webb.

Eminent Grand Senior Warden—Wm. N. Baldwin.

Eminent Grand Junior Warden—H. G. Valiton.

Eminent Grand Treasurer—A. J. Davidon.

Eminent Grand Recorder—C. Hedges.

Eminent Grand Standard Bearer—A. L. Babcock.

Eminent Grand Sword Bearer—E. D. Neill.

Eminent Grand Warden—F. W. Wright.

Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard—A. J. Dusseau.

On the following day, Wednesday, the twenty-fifth annual Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., will meet at Great Falls under Grand Master A. Logan. A special train will leave Helena on Wednesday morning at 6:30 o'clock to convey the delegates and ladies from the city and adjacent points.

PERSONAL.

Dore Aiken is at the Cosmopolitan.

N. J. Dovenspeck, of Butte, is in the city. Frederick Gilbert, of Missoula, is in the city.

Hon. J. H. Conrad, of Billings, is in the city.

Percy Kennett is in the city from his ranch.

Commodore John O'Neill is up from Deer Lodge.

Hon. T. H. Clark, of Madison county, is in the city.

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